

# **ABSTRACT**

An absorbent article (20) has a longitudinal-direction (22), a lateral cross-direction (24) and an intermediate portion (76). The article comprises a backsheet (28), a liquid-permeable topsheet (26), an absorbent body (30) sandwiched between the backsheet (28) and the topsheet (26) and at least one wing-panel (42) which is operatively joined to the intermediate portion (76) of the article (20). The wing-panel extends laterally beyond at least one lateral side edge of the backsheet (28) in the intermediate portion (76) of the article, and the wing-panel (42) is configured to wrap about an undergarment. A contoured side-edge (64) of the wing-panel (42) provides a substantially continuous extension from a contoured side-edge (62) of the backsheet (28).